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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 3 - 5

Part B for May 1924

SUBJECT

Affairs of the Sri Gangadhareswara Swami temple at Gavipur, Bangalore City

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ROUTINE NOTES.

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Letter from the Commrs (Mr. V N. Rama, Retd. Supt. Engrs. &c.,) of the Committee of Dharmadarsis of temples at Ganjam & Bararumpudi complaining of the mismanagement of the temples in the Committees charge and of the tardiness & apathy on the part of the Local Officers in respect of these institutions -

Govt. have in their Memo No. 657/Misc 680-16-5 dated the 15th Aug. 20 appd the marginally noted gentlemen as Dharmadarsis for a period of 5 years

V. N. Rama Supt. Engr (retd)
D. Ramaiya Supt. SRS
N Venkatesa Iyengar Ch: Observer Meteorology
S Venkataramappa B.A. Central College
Munku Ramaiya
Veerabhadrudu Setty
Yajamian Basappa
} Merchants

N. B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips the notes must be cipoed, or slips pasted on this form

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G. R. S. III—3]

ROUTINE NOTES.

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Sent to the Amildar a
Talukā Muzam Officer
for necessary steps being taken
in respect of the resolutions
recorded These were
generally followed up
by special letters requesting
them of the resolutions &
the steps necessary to be taken—

Copies of the more important of the
letters addressed to the Amildar & the Dy. Collr. Kaira &c
have been sub. with
the Convenors letter indicating
the action to be taken in order
to place the temples on a
safer footing for living; and
it to be reported that
Whether the Amildar, Kaira—

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this form.

the Dy Collr. has taken any
action & set right the
defects brought to notice

Serial No.

X R 4

The Convenor's X letter dated the 28th April 1922 addressed to the Dy Con. Kanyala Dn., and the Mudaliyar Dept., mentions in detail the steps nec. for placing the temples on a satisfactory basis and how the apathy of the Talaib Authorities has made the work of the Dharmadasis (who have been doing their whole hearted best in the cause of the temples in question) ineffectual.

A word abt Arachchi Somadasa Dissanayake is nec. This Arachchi, he does not attend to the worship but stays away at Halon & comes only on days of special worship & gathers and carries away money which [illegible] otherwise for the temple's expenses. A great deal of money is thus taken away by him leaving nothing towards the improvement of temple & the worship therein. Recently he has been drawing the pay of the Arachchi also monthly from the Talaib Treasury, and the Convenor's letter to the Mudaliyar in this respect are enclosed.

X The Convenor Mr. T. H. Karunaratne has spent something like 3000 Rs from his pocket for the improvement of the temple buildings & to meet ongoing

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The Ramnadavars have recorded a resolution that if the Govt. do not direct matters to be set right they should resign in a body.

If approved, this appln together with its encl: may be sent to the Mun: Comr: for his enquiries being made on all the points brought to notice therein and for submission of a report within a month. Mr. V.K. Kewis may be informed accordingly and he be informed that a report has been called for from the Mun: Comr: in the matter.

BG
3/4/23

Dy Sec'y 3/4/23

Two days submitted for appln

BG 4/4/23

Dy Sec'y 5/4/23

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Copies sent to Mun. Comrs. 4

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Requests to enquire the Lambadi & submit an exhaustive report-bitten a Member:

5 The Collector - No 2624 of 6/4/25.

Informed last above.

Further work is done in Murasi file 430-22

Basavangudi, Bangalore Cit

29th March 1923

To

The Secretary to Government,

Revenue Department (Muzrai).

Sir,

I beg to state that in my letter dated the 12th August 1922, I brought to your notice certain defects regarding the affairs of the Sri Gangadhareswaraswami temple at Gavipur, and showed you how the delay and apathy of the Taluk and District authorities have made our work as Dharmadarsis ineffectual. I have received in reply to this, Endorsement No.1984/Muz.123-22-2 dated the 4th January 1923 stating that the application has been sent to the Muzrai Commissioner for enquiry and disposal.

2. Since then matters have gone from bad to worse and Somasundara Dikshit - a thoroughly unreliable man, who had been suspended by the Deputy Commissioner, but who has been drawing the pay of the appointment is now actually doing the duties of archa and it is also understood that he is enjoying the inam lands endow-ed to the temple in addition to drawing the pay of the appointment.

3. This is a scandalous state of affairs which makes our further continuance as Dharmadarsis both unnecessary and undesirable, and we have accordingly resolved at a meeting held on 19th February 1923 that unless the Government should set right matters, we should resign in a body. A copy of the resolutions is herein enclosed.

4. Copies of certain letters addressed to the Amildar, Deputy Commissioner and the Muzrai Secretary are also herewith forwarded for perusal.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Convenor.

Proceedings of the meeting of Dharmadarsis held on the 19th February 1923.

Present -- Mr. V. H. Karve (Convenor)

" B. Venkatamaranappa

" N. Venkatesa Iyengar

" Tumkur Thimmiah

" B. Ramaiya

1. It was brought to the notice of the members that Somasundara Dikshit who has been suspended by the Deputy Commissioner continues to draw the pay of the appointment and is now actually doing the duties of the archak in the Gangadhareswara temple. In spite of repeated representations ~~of~~ Government about matters requiring attention in respect of this temple the local authorities have not given any heed to the resolutions of the Dharmadarsis with the result that matters have gone from bad to worse. Resolved therefore that the Dharmadarsis do resign in a body unless Government direct matters to be set right.

2. Resolved also that as Venkatadasappa appointed as Archak of Mallikarjunaswami temple has absented himself for a long time, Venkatasubbiah, who has been doing the duty be confirmed in the place.

Sd/- M.H.Karve

Convenor.

Copy

Proceedings of the meeting of Wednesday 1[illegible] N[illegible]

the 12th February 1953.

Present -- Mr. V. H. Lane (Chairman)

" [illegible]

" [illegible]

" [illegible]

" J. Ma[illegible]

1. It was brought to the notice of the [illegible]

Bull Temple Road, Basavangudi,

6th October 1920.

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Sir,

With reference to Government order No. 651/ಸಮಾ2:680-16-5 dated 18th August 1920 regarding the Gavipur temple and in continuation of the proceedings of the meeting of Dharmadarsis held on 17th September 1920, a copy of which has already been forwarded ~~to your~~ to you, I have the honor to enclose herein a copy of draft notice intended to be put up in the temple regarding the levy of fees for the several services to be conducted and to request that you will be so good as to obtain the kind sanction of Government thereto as also to keep a Golaka in the temple.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd/- V.H.Karve

Convenor.

Bull Temple Road, Bangalore,

6th October 192 .

To

The Manager,

Bank of the West,

Sir,

Bull Temple Road, Basavangudi,

18th December 1920.

Dear Sir,

I wrote to you on the 6th October 1920 sending for you a draft notice to be put up in the Gavipur Gangadhareswaraswami temple regarding the levy of fees for the several services conducted thereto and requesting you to kindly obtain the sanction of Government thereto. I have not heard from you in reply. The income of the temple should be regularised as early as possible and conserved for the use of the temple.

The notice to be put up has to be signed by you as Amildar, and I am to request you to kindly have the same put up at a early date.

A Golaka has also to be kept in the temple and the same will be opened by me at intervals of a month in the presence of other Dharmadarsis and the amount credited to the Treasury in the name of the temple.

May I request a very early reply in the metter.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- B.Ramaiya

For Convenor

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Bull Temple Road, Bracknell,

18th October 1930.

Dear Sir,

I wrote to you on the 6th October 1930 [illegible] draft motion to be put up in the Gaiety Theatre [illegible] temple regarding the lease of Deer Park [illegible] conducted thereto and secure [illegible] of Government thereto. [illegible] income of the temple would be [illegible] and conserved for the use of the temple.

The notice to be put up [illegible] Wilder, but I do [illegible] at a early date.

[illegible] will be observed [illegible] of other Dear [illegible] it the same [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

To

Bull Temple Road, Basavangudi,

Bangalore City, 28th September 1921.

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Sir,

I beg to invite your reference to my letter dated the 6th October 1920 and to the several resolutions recorded at the meeting of Dharmadarsis copies of which have from time to time been forwarded to you. I have sent you a draft notice to be put up in the Gavipur temple under your signature as Amildar @ regarding the levy of fees for the several services to be conducted in the temple and requested you to kindly obtain the sanction of the Government to the same. I have also requested you therein to obtain the sanction of Government to keep a Golaka in order to improve the financial psoition of the temple.

2. Further in forwarding to you the resolutions of the Dharmadarsis in their meeting of the 24th November 1920, you were requested to kindly furnish information regarding the details of cash and land inams endowed to the temples under the management of this Committee so that the income ~~may~~ might be regularised and brought under supervision and check as also to pay the salaries of the Archaks of the temples in question on bills prepared and sent up by the Convenor so that the Committee may have efficient powers of supervision and control over the work of the Archaks.

3. A D.O.letter was also addressed to you on 18th December 1920 by Mr.B.Ramaiya one of the Dharmadarsis on my behalf in the matter.

4. No reply has been received to any of these communications and I request you will be so good as to look into the matter and send me your reply at an early date so that the Committee may be in a position to see to the proper and efficient working of the temple staff and to avoid any misuse of temple properties.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
Sd/- V.H.Karve (Convenor)

Mr. Edward Hall,
Secretary, Committee on Arrangements,
Old Colony Club,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Hall:

I have the honor to inform you that the Executive Committee of the Society of Colonial Wars, at a meeting held this morning, accepted the invitation of the Committee on Arrangements of the Old Colony Club to hold the Annual Dinner of the Society in Boston on the evening of April 19th next.

The Committee on Arrangements of the Society of Colonial Wars will be glad to confer with the Committee on Arrangements of the Old Colony Club at any time convenient to the latter.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

Bull Temple Road,
Basavangudi, Bangalore City,
20th November 1921.

To

The Amildar,
Bangalore Taluk.

Sir,

In reply to your Yadis Nos.573 and 650 dated 27th Septr., 1921 and 20th October 1921, I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of the resolutions recorded at the meeting of the Dharmadarsis held on 31st October 1921 on the subjects referred to in the above and to request that necessary orders may be kindly obtained and communicated to me at an early date.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Sd/- V. H. Karve
Convenor.

Copy

Yours most obedient servant,

[illegible]

Have the honour to be,

[illegible] V. [illegible] Krishna

Chairman.

To

The Artizan,

Bangalore Cantt.

Sir,

I am hereby to forward herewith one 650 dated 27th September 1921 and 20th October 1921, I have the honour to intimate herewith a copy of the resolutions passed at the meeting of the Quarterly Quarrie held on 31st October 1921 on the subject referred to in the above and to request it may be published as early as possible opportunity and communicate to me as early action.

Bangalore City,

20th November 1921.

Small Temple Road,

Basavangudi,

Bangalore City, 28th Septr., 1921.

Dear Sir,

I beg to send herewith a list of the missing jewels etc., belonging to the Sri Gangadhareswaraswami temple at Gavipur for which the Archak Somasundara Dikshit who has been recently restored to the appointment is responsible and to request that you will be so good as to make necessary enquiries in the matter and intimate the result to me.

2. The Dikshit does not remain in the temple and goes there only occasionally i.e., on occasions when large amounts are expected from the devotees as kanikes?

3. I may also bring to your notice that he has been put in charge of the temple without reference to the Dharmadarsis.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- V. H. Karve

Convenor.

To

M. A. Narayana Iyengar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,

Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

Bangalore City, 28th Sept., 1921.

Dear Sir,

I beg to send herewith a list of the missing jewels etc., belonging to the Sri Ganapathiswamy temple at Gavipet for which the Arcot Somasundara Mudali who was here from [illegible] received to the appointment is responsible and to request that you will be so good as to make necessary enquiries in the matter and intimate the result to me.

2. The Dikshit does not remain in the temple and does the only occasionally i.e., on occasions when large amounts are expected from the devotees as karikes.

3. I may also bring to your notice that he has been put in charge of the temple without reference to the Dharmadarsi.

Yours sincerely,

V. H. Karve

Convenor.

To

M. A. Narayana Iyengar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,

Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

Reserved,

Basavangudi, Bangalore City,

29th December 1921.

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Sir,

I beg to state that it is very much regretted that the several resolutions of the Dharmadarsis sent up to you regarding Sri Gangadhareswaraswami templek at Gavipur and other temples in Basavangudi Extention have not been attended to. Urgent action has to be taken regarding --

(1) Fixing the scales of expenditure in the several temples in our charge.

(2) Permission to put up a notice board at the Gavipur temple regarding levy of fees for the several "Sevas" in the temple.

(3) Permission to put up a notice board under your signature prohibiting people from defiling the water of the pond behind the Basaveswaraswamy temple.

2. When Somasundra Dikshit was restored to the Archak's appointment some months ago the Sheikdar made the former pujari Venkatasubbiah hand over charge to him. I was not consulted in the matter. I subsequently came to know that one of the jewels called (Bulaku ಬುಲಾಕು) worth about Rs.8/- presented last year to the Goddess was not handed over. The man has not returned the jewel up to the present moment. I am now to request that you will be so good as to arrange for the jewel being recovered from the late Archik and handed over to the present Archik.

I also request that you will be so good as to attend to the matters above mentioned, and give us an early reply.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

sd/- V.P.Karve.(Convenor)

Basavanagudi, Bangalore City,

29th December 1941.

To

The Auditor,

Bangalore Mail.

Sir,

I beg to state that it is very much to my regret that I
several resolutions of the Dharmadarsha sangh to be published in
the Sri Ganganchareswar temple at Gavipur
temples in Basavanagudi, attention have not been attended to.
Urgent action has to be taken ...
(1) Fixing the causes of expenditure in several ...
in our case.
(2) Permission to put up a public room of the corner
example ...
"cave" in the temple.
(3) Permission to put up a ... room under ...
minute a publication ... from drilling ...
water of the pond behind the ...
[illegible].
3. When ... dignity was restored to the ...
appointment some months ... the ... Pandit
Venkatramaiah ... over charge to him. ... not possible. In
the letter. I ... just one of the ...
called (Durga ...) mouth ... Pandit ...
Yesu to the ... not handed over. ... an non-
returned the ... the payment month. I am now to request
that you will ... Swami for ... [illegible]
receipt from the ... Pandit ...
It is ...

I ... [illegible]
... [illegible]
... [illegible]

Basavangudi, Bangalore City,

10th March 1922.

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Sir,

In your letter No.650 dated 20th October 1921 you asked me to appoint a competent archak to the Gangadhareswara and other temples. Accordingly the Dharmadarsis met on 31st October 1921 and resolved that one Mallikarjuniah might be appointed Archak for the present of the Gangadhareswara and Harihareswara temples at Gavipur and this was communicated to you in my letter dated 20th November 1921.

Again in your letter No.1215 dated 2nd January 1922 you have stated that Somasundara Dikshit, Archak of the Sri Gangadhareswara temple had been placed under suspension under orders received from the Deputy Commissioner. I now understand from the present Archak of the temple that Somasundara Dikshit is being given pay every month and not Mallikarjuniah who has been doing the archak's duties. If so, I request you to kindly let me know under what authority pay is being disbursed to a man placed under suspension under orders of the Deputy Commissioner for misbehaviour instead of to a man whose appointment to the Archakship has been ~~appointed~~ made by the Dharmadarsis and who has actually been doing duties as such.

I request the favour of an early reply.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Sd/- V.H.Karve

Convenor.

Copy

Basavangudi, Bangalore City

10th March 1922.

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Sir,

In your letter No.650 dated 30th October 1921 you asked me to appoint a competent archak to the Sangadhareswara and other temples. Accordingly the Shrimad Jagadguru sent me on 31st October 1921 and received that the Mallikarjunaswamy might be appointed Archak for the present of the Sangadhareswara and Dharmambal temples at Cavipur and this was communicated to you in my letter dated 20th November 1921.

Again in your letter No.1315 dated 2nd January 1922 you have stated that Somasundara Dikshit, Archak of the Sangadhareswara temple had been placed under suspension under orders received from the Deputy Commissioner. I now understand from the present Archak of the temple that Somasundara Dikshit is being given pay every month and not allowed to do the Archak's duties. If so, I request you to kindly let me know under what authority may be being withheld to a man placed under suspension under orders of the Deputy Commissioner (or misbehaviour instead of to a man whose appointment to the Archakship was [illegible] by the Shrimad Jagadguru.

I request the favour of an early reply.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

sd/- V.B.Krishnamurthy.

Archaka.

Basavangudi, Bangalore City,

23rd February 1922.

My dear Sir,

With reference to para 7 of your letter No.1215 dated the 2nd Instant stating that a date may be fixed for inspecting the Jewels of the Sri Gangadhareswaraswami temple at Gavipur, I write to say that 9 A.M. on Wednesday the 1st March 1922 will be convenient for the purpose.

I shall be glad if you will make it convenient to meet me at the temple.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/ V.H.Karve

Convenor.

Basavangudi, Bangalore City,

23rd March 1922.

My dear Sir,

As requested in para 7 of your Yadi No.1215 dated 2nd January 1922, I wrote to you on the 23rd February 1922 fixing 9 AM. on 1st March 1922 for visiting the Sri Gangadhareswaraswami temple for inspection of jewels. I went there at the time fixed and waited for over an hour, but you did not turn up

Can you fix a date yourself and let me know. I shall go over there at the time most convenient to you. The sooner this business is done the better.

I ~~want~~ await your very early reply.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- V.H.Karve

Convenor.

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Basavanagudi, Bangalore City,

23rd February 1922.

My dear Sir,

With reference to para 7 of your letter No. [illegible]
the 2nd Instant stating that a lac may be fixed for Prop[illegible],
the Jewels of the Sri Ganapathy[illegible] should be at Devi[illegible],
I write to say that 5 P.M. on Wednesday the 1st March 1922 wi[illegible]
be convenient for the purpose.

I shall be glad if you will make it convenient to meet
me at the temple.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- A.V.Ramaswamy

Chairman.

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Bull Temple Road, Basavangudi,

Bangalore City, 28th April 1922.

To

The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

The Muzrai Superintendent in Mysore.

Sir,

Government in their Notification No.651/Muz.680-16-5 dated 18th August 1920 appointed a set of Dharmadarsis for the Sri Gangadhareswaraswami and other temples at Basavangudi, with myself as Convenor.

The Amildar, Bangalore Taluk, was in pursuance of the several resolutions recorded at the Meetings of Dharamadarsis addressed on the following points touching these temples:-

1. Keeping a Golaka in the Gangadhareswara temple.
2. Payment of archaks of the temples on bills presented by the Convenor so that the committee may have efficient powers of supervision and control over their work.
3. Putting up a notice in the Gangadhareswara temple under the Amildar's signature fixing certain fees for services rendered by devotees.
4. Fixing scales of expenditure in the temples in our charge.
5. Making arrangements for people being prevented from polluting the water of the Pond behind the Basaveswara temple and putting up a notice under the Amildar's signature to that effect.
6. Enquiring why the late archak Somasundara Dikshit of the Gangadhareswara temple who had been suspended for misbehaviour under the orders of the Deputy Commissioner is being paid the salary instead of the man who is actually doing the duties of archak.

In spite of reminders, the Amildar has not replied to me on the above points and has thus made our work as Dharmadarsis quite ineffectual.

At

Duli Temple Road, Basavanagudi,

Bangalore City, 28th April 1920.

To

The [illegible] Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore City.

The Warrant Superintendent in Bangalore.

Sir,

Government [illegible] dated 18th August 1920 [illegible] and Commandant-Lieutenant [illegible] Wheeler as Convenor.

The Amildar, Bangalore City, [illegible] scarcity resulting [illegible] addressed on the following points [illegible]:-

1. Keeping a [illegible]

2. Payment of arrears [illegible]

the Convenor [illegible]

[illegible]

3. Utilising [illegible]

the Amildar's [illegible]

remitted by [illegible].

4. Fixing a [illegible] in the [illegible]

charge.

5. Making [illegible] for [illegible]

pollute the water [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

6. [illegible] why the [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

on the above points and [illegible]

In spite [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

quite [illegible].

At the request of the Amildar a date was fixed for meeting him in the Gangadhareswara temple for inspecting the jewels of the temple, but he disappointed me on the day by his absence; and my letter to him asking him to fix a date himself and let me know has had no response.

The intention of Government in appointing a Committee of management consisting of members who take interest and work whole heartedly in connection with a public business is to see to the efficient management and control of the concern without much of the time and energy of their paid agency being taxed; but I am compelled to say that this good intention is frustrated by the delay and apathy of the Taluk Authorities which throws cold water on the Zeal of the honorary workers.

I request that you will be so kind as to call for my letters to the Amildar on the above points and pass early orders on the several resolutions of the Dharmadarsis.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd/- V.H.Karve

Convenor.

At the request of the Khalsa a date was fixed for
meeting him in the Gangadhareswar temple for [illegible]
jewels of the temple, but he disappointed me on the day by his
absence; and my letter to [illegible]
and let me know his reply.

The intention of Government to [illegible]
of management constituted, of members who [illegible]
while heartedly [illegible]
to the efficient management and control of the [illegible]
days of the time and property of their late [illegible]
but I am compelled to [illegible]
by the delay and [illegible]
could retain in the [illegible]

I [illegible]
letters to the Amirs [illegible]
[illegible]

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[illegible]

[illegible]

Basavangudi, Bangalore City,

12th August 1922.

To,

The Secretary to Government,

Revenue Department, Bangalore.

Sir,

I beg to submit herewith a copy of my letter to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, and the Muzrai Superintendent in Mysore in regard to certain arrangements necessary for the efficient management of the Sri Gangadhareswaraswami and other temples at Basavangudi, from which you will find that the Amildar of the Bangalore Taluk has by his delay and apathy made our work as Dharmadarsis quite ineffectual. The Muzrai Superintendent has replied that the matter has been referred to the Deputy Commissioner but there has been no response from this officer.

If it is the intention of Government that the co-operation of the Dharmadarsis should be secured in the efficient management of these institutions, I request that very early action be asked to be taken in the several matters referred to in my letter to the Deputy Commissioner. Otherwise the Dharmadarsis will be compelled to resign in a body as their existence as such will have no justification.

The point to which I would invite your particular reference is item No.6 mentioned in my letter to the Deputy Commissioner viz., that a dismissed archak Someswara Dikshit is allowed to draw the pay of the appointment.

I beg that the several matters above referred to may be kindly ordered to be enquired into and the decision of Government communicated to the Dharmadarsis.

I beg to remain,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Sd/- V.H.Karve

Convenor.

Basavangudi, Bangalore City

15th August 1922.

To

The Secretary to Government,

Revenue Department, Bangalore.

Sir,

I beg to submit herewith a copy of my letter to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, and the Assistant Superintendent in Mysore in regard to certain arrangements necessary for the efficient management of the Bangalore Cavalry and other temples at Basavangudi. I am glad you will find the Amildar of the Ban ulore Tal ... bee by his delay and apply made our work as Dharmadarsis quite ineffectual. The Assistant Superintendent has replied that the matter has been referred to the Deputy Commissioner but there has been no response from this officer.

If it is the intention of Government that the co-operation of the Dharmadarsis should be retained in the efficient management of these institutions, I request that very early action be asked to be taken in the several matters referred to in my letter to the Deputy Commissioner. Otherwise the Dharmadarsis will be compelled to resign as they will have no justification as a body to their existence as such will have no jurisdiction.

The point to which I would invite your particular reference is item No.3 mentioned in my letter to the Deputy Commissioner viz., that a diminished strength Government Officer should be allowed to draw the pay of the appointment.

I beg that the several matters above referred to may be kindly ordered to be enquired into and the decision of Government communicated to the Dharmadarsis.

I beg to remain,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

B.V. Narayana

Assistant.

Basavangudi, Bangalore City,

To

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Sir,

I beg to submit herewith a copy of my letter to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, and the Muzrai Superintendent in Mysore in regard to certain arrangements necessary for the efficient management of the Sri Gangadhareswaraswami and other temples at Basavangudi, from which you will find that the Amildar of the Bangalore Taluk has by his delay and apathy made our work as Dharmadarsis quite ineffectual. The Muzrai Superintendent has replied that the matter has been referred to the Deputy Commissioner but there has been no response from this officer.

If it is the intention of Government that the co-operation of the Dharmadarsis should be secured in the efficient management of these institutions I request that very early action be asked to be taken in the several matters referred to in my letter to the Deputy Commissioner. Otherwise the Dharmadarsis will be compelled to resign in a body as their existence as such will have no justification.

The point to which I would invite your particular reference is item No.6 mentioned in my letter to the Deputy Commissioner viz., that a dismissed archak Someswara Dikshit is allowed to draw the pay of the appointment.

I beg that the several matters above referred to may be kindly ordered to be enquired into and the decision of Government communicated to the Dharmadarsis.

I beg to remain,

Sir,

Your ~~honours~~ obedient servant,

Sd/- V.H.Karve

Convenor.

Proceedings of the meeting of Dharmadarsis held on the 19th February 1923.

Present -- Mr. V. H. Karve (Convenor)

" D. Venkatamaranappa

" N. Venkatesa Iyengar

" Tumkur Thimmiah

" D. Ramaiya

1. It was brought to the notice of the members that Somasundara Dikshit who has been suspended by the Deputy Commissioner continues to draw the pay of the appointment and is now actually doing the duties of the archak in the Gangadhareswara temple. In spite of repeated representations to Government about matters requiring attention in respect of this temple the local authorities have not given any heed to the resolutions of the Dharmadarsis, with the result that matters have gone from bad to worse. Resolved therefore that the Dharmadarsis do resign in a body unless Government direct matters to be set right.

2. Resolved also that as Venkatadasappa appointed as Archak of Mallikarjunaswami temple has absented himself for a long time, Venkatasubbiah, who has been doing the duty be confirmed in the place.

Sd/- V.H.Karve

Convenor.

Copy

Bull Temple Road, Basavangudi,

6th October 1920.

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Sir,

With reference to Government order No. 657/Misc 680-16-5 dated 18th August 1920 regarding the Gavipur temple and in continuation of the proceedings of the meeting of Dharmadarsis held on 17th September 1920, a copy of which has already been forwarded ~~xxxxxx~~ to you, I have the honor to enclose herein a copy of draft notice intended to be put up in the temple regarding the levy of fees for the several services to be conducted and to request that you will be so good as to obtain the kind sanction of Government thereto as also to keep a Golaka in the temple.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd/- V.H.Karve

Convenor.

Dear Sir,

I wrote to you on the 6th October 1920 sending for you a draft notice to be put up in the Gavipur Gangadhareswaraswami temple regarding the levy of fees for the several services conducted thereto and requesting you to kindly obtain the sanction of Government thereto. I have not heard from you in reply. The income of the temple should be regularised as early as possible and conserved for the use of the temple.

The notice to be put up has to be signed by you as Amildar, and I am to request you to kindly have the same put up at a early date.

A Golaka has also to be kept in the temple and the same will be opened by me at intervals of a month in the presence of other Dharmadarsis and the amount credited to the Treasury in the name of the temple.

May I request a very early reply in the metter.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- B.Ramaiya

For Convenor

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Bill Peoples Road, [illegible]

Dear Sir,

I wrote to you on [illegible] October 1st [illegible]
[illegible] notice to [illegible] me if [illegible]
[illegible] see for [illegible]
[illegible] there [illegible]
[illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] income of the [illegible]
and conserved for [illegible]
The notice to [illegible]
midday, and I [illegible]
at [illegible].

Golake Pre[illegible] to be kept in the [illegible]
will be opened by me at [illegible] Parish or [illegible]
of other Director, [illegible] the amount of [illegible]
in the name of the [illegible].

May I recommend [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

To

Bull Temple Road, Basavanguda,

Bangalore City, 28th September 1921.

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Sir,

I beg to invite your reference to my letter dated the 6th October 1920 and to the several resolutions recorded at the meeting of Dharmadarsis copies of which have from time to time ~~been~~ forwarded to you. I have sent you a draft notice to be put up in the Gavipur temple under your signature as Amildar © regarding the levy of fees for the several services to be conducted in the temple and requested you to kindly obtain the sanction of the Government to the same. I have also requested you therein to obtain the sanction of Government to keep a Golaka in order to improve the financial psoition of the temple.

2. Further in forwarding to you the resolutions of the Dharmadarsis in their meeting of the 24th November 1920, you were requested to kindly furnish information regarding the details of cash and land inams endowed to the temples under the management of this Committee so that the income may be regularised and brought under supervision and check as also to pay the salaries of the Archaks of the temples in question on bills prepared and sent up by the Convenor so that the Committee may have efficient powers of supervision and control over the work of the Archaks.

3. A D.O.letter was also addressed to you on 18th December 1920 by Mr.B.Ramaiya one of the Dharmadarsis on my behalf in the matter.

4. No reply has been received to any of these communications and I request you will be so good as to look into the matter and send me your reply at an early date so that the Committee may be in a position to see to the proper and efficient working of the temple staff and to avoid any misuse of temple properties.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant(

Sd/- V.H Karve (

The Duke Clive

The Painter,

To

Gainsborough [illegible] Mr. Pennant [illegible]

Bull Temple Road,

Basavangudi, Bangalore City

20th November 1921

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Sir,

In reply to your Yadis Nos.573 and 650 dated 27th 1921 and 20th October 1921, I have the honor to forwar a copy of the resolutions recorded at the meeting o darsis held on 31st October 1921 on the subjects refer. the above and to request that necessary orders may be obtained and communicated to me at an early date.

I have the honour to

Sir,

Your most obedient serv.

Sd/- V. H. Karve

Convenor.

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Sir,

I am to ask you to pay to Mr. [illegible] the sum of [illegible]

[illegible] by the Revenue Patel of [illegible] on account of [illegible]

[illegible] Id on Sft October 1892 on [illegible]

[illegible] to [illegible] Patel [illegible] Rs. [illegible]

Rs. [illegible] Id [illegible]

[illegible]

Dept. of Rev. 1892.

Assessment, Two Lore Cut,

Suit Table No. 1,

Basavangudi,

Bangalore City, 28th Sept

Dear Sir,

I beg to send herewith a list of the missing jew belonging to the Sri Gangadhareswaraswami temple at Gav which the Archak Somasundara Dikshit who has been recen restored to the appointment is responsible and to reque you will be so good as to make necessary enquiries in t and intimate the result to me.

2. The Dikshit does not remain in the temple an only occasionally i.e., on occasions when large amou expected from the devotees as kanikes.

3. I may also bring to your notice that he has be charge of the temple without reference to the Dharmad

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- V. H. Karve

Convenor.

To

M. A. Narayana Iyengar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,

Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

Basavangudi, Bangalore Ci

29th December 1921.

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Sir,

I beg to state that it is very much regretted that t
several resolutions of the Dharmadarsis sent up to you regard
ing Sri Gangadhareswaraswami temple at Gavipur and other
temples in Basavangudi Extention have not been attended to.
Urgent action has to be taken regarding --

(1) Fixing the scales of expenditure in several templ
in our charge.

(2) Permission to put up a notice board at the Gavipu
temple regarding levy of fees for the several
"Sevas" in the temple.

(3) Permission to put up a notice board under your
signature prohibiting people from defiling the
water of the pond behind the Basaveswaraswamy
temple.

2. When Somasundra Dikshit was restored to the Archak's
appointment some months ago, the Sheikdar made the former pujari
Venkatasubbiah hand over charge to him. I was not consulted in
the matter. I subsequently came to know hat one of the jewels
called (Bulaku ಬುಲಾಕು) worth about Rs.8/- presented last
year to the Goddess was not handed over. The man has not
returned the jewel up to the present moment. I am now to request
that you will be so good as to arrange for the jewel being
recovered from the late Archik and handed over to the present
Archik.

I also request that you will be so good as to attend
to the matters above mentioned, and give us an early reply.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Sd/- V.P.Karve, (Conve

Basavangudi, Bangalore City

10th March 1922.

To

The Amildar,

Bangalore Taluk.

Sir,

In your letter No.650 dated 20th October 1921 you asked me to appoint a competent archak to the Gangadhareswara and other temples. Accordingly the Dharmadarsis met on 31st October 1921 and resolved that one Mallikarjuniah might be appointed Archak for the present of the Gangadhareswara and Harihareswa temples at Gavipur and this was communicated to you in my letter dated 20th November 1921.

Again in your letter No.1215 dated 2nd January 1922 you have stated that Somasundara Dikshit, Archak of the Sri Gangadhareswara temple had been placed under suspension under orders received from the Deputy Commissioner. I now understand from the present Archak of the temple that Somasundara Dikshit is being given pay every month and not Mallikarjuniah who has been doing the archak's duties. If so, I request you to kindly let me know under what authority pay is being disbursed to a man placed under suspension under orders of the Deputy Commissioner for misbehaviour instead of to a man whose appointment to the Archakship has been ~~appointed~~ made by the Dharmadarsis and who has actually been doing duties as such.

I request the favour of an early reply.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Sd/- V.H.Karve

Convenor.

My dear Sir,

BRIGADIER

Bull Temple Road, Basavangu.

Bangalore City, 28th April 1922.

To

The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

The Muzrai Superintendent in Mysore.

Sir,

Government in their Notification No.651/Muz.680-16-5 dated 18th August 1920 appointed a set of Dharmadarsis for the Sri Gangadhareswaraswami and other temples at Basavangudi, with myself as Convenor.

The Amildar, Bangalore Taluk, was in pursuance of the several resolutions recorded at the Meetings of Dharamadarsis addressed on the following points touching these temples:-

1. Keeping a Golaka in the Gangadhareswara temple.
2. Payment of archaks of the temples on bills presented by the Convenor so that the committee may have efficient powers of supervision and control over their work.
3. Putting up a notice in the Gangadhareswara temple under the Amildar's signature fixing certain fees for services rendered by devotees.
4. Fixing scales of expenditure in the temples in our charge.
5. Making arrangements for people being prevented from polluting the water of the Pond behind the Basaveswara temple and putting up a notice under the Amildar's signature to that effect.
6. Enquiring why the late archak Somasundara Dikshit of the Gangadhareswara temple who had been suspended for misbehaviour under the order of the Deputy Commissioner is being paid the salary instead of the man who is actually doing the duties of archak.

In spite of reminders, the Amildar has not replied to me on the above points and has thus made our work as Dharmadarsis quite ineffectual.

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on the above point a [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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At the request of the Amildar a date was fixed for meeting him in the Gangadhareswara temple for inspecting the jewels of the temple, but he disappointed me on the day by his absence; and my letter to him asking him to fix a date himself and let me know has had no response.

The intention of Government in appointing a Committee of management consisting of members who take interest and work whole heartedly in connection with a public business is to see to the efficient management and control of the concern without much of the time and energy of their paid agency being taxed; but I am compelled to say that this good intention is frustrated by the delay and apathy of the Taluk Authorities which throws cold water on the Zeal of the honorary workers.

I request that you will be so kind as to call for my letters to the Amildar on the above points and pass early orders on the several resolutions of the Dharmadarsis.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd/- V.H.Karve

Convenor.

At the request of the Auditor a date was fixed [illegible]
mooring him in the [illegible] for [illegible]
journey of the temple, but be [illegible]
absence; and my letter to him [illegible]
and left me Rs [illegible] no [illegible].

[illegible] the treasurer of [illegible] me [illegible]
[illegible] work of [illegible]
[illegible] to it [illegible]
[illegible] article [illegible]
or [illegible] consideration [illegible]

[illegible]

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No 2623

Date of issue 6 Dec. 23

To

Signed by M.T.E. / Engineer

Sir,

and to Sudamas)

In the absence of the
Ex Chargés d'affaires
Siamese Legation at
Paris and requesting
that certain arrangements
may be made for the
~~temporary~~ ~~control~~ & direction
management of the
institution, and to
request that the
necessary inquiries may be
made in the matter &
an exhaustive report
made the penalties &
therein provided & that within
a month from the
date.

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W.J. 5/4/23

Secretary

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No 2624

Date of issue 6-4-23

To

V. A. Narve Esq
Asst Supdt Engr
P.W.D
Bull Temple Road
Basavangudi

Signed by M.T.E.J Anjan

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 29th March 1923 together with its enclosures bringing to notice certain deficiencies in the Kalyani over.

Of the Sri Ganga Nanjeswara
Swami Temple at Gundlupet
and to state that a
report on all the points
touched upon therein
has been called for
from the Asst: Comm^r
in Mysore.

Thanks
VJ 5/4/13
Revenue

EB
4/4/13

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